# Straw Hats are on the Street

A few to-day, more to-morrow, hundreds on Sunday-and the early wearers will have the choicest hats.

In style you're safe if you follow the leaders. Our collection of 1912 straws has been ready for a week or more.

# Kirk-Parrish Co

627 East Broad Street



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New State Law, Effective June 1, Provides That Employes Must be Paid Semi-Monthly In-



Oil Cook-stove She will not burn the toast, and she will not burn her fingers either, if she uses the New Perfection Toaster.

For boil or broil For fry or bake

For toast or roast there is no other stove that is as quick and as handy as the New Perfection Oil Cook-stove — the convenient stove for all purposes, all the year round.

Every dealer has it. Handsomely finished in nickel, with cabinet top, drop shelves, towel racks, etc. Long chimneys, enameled turquoise-blue. Made with 1, 2 and 3 burners. Free Cook-Book with every stove. Cook-Book also given to anyone sending 5 cents to cover

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Grand Total Reaches \$59,200 for Richmond-Washington Highway Corporation.

A luncheon was tendered the chair

### At the Hotels

Washington: J. H. Austin, D. H. McCuiler, J. R. Williams, Clifford Hamilton, Clayton, N. C.
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# A Costly Thing

teaches valuable lessons. But if YOU can learn those lessons without having to pay the cost of experience, you are more fortunate than most

The experience of modern civilization, in both Europe and America, teaches that competition in public service-such a public service as the providing of Electric Light and Power -is a wasteful and ruinous failure, for which the public ultimately pays [the price.

We do not ask you to take our word alone for this. Probably no man in America has any greater expert knowledge of public utility questions than Prof. B. H. MEYER, formerly Chairman of the Wisconsin State Railway Commission, and now member of the INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION. In a valuable paper on Utility Commissions, published in The American Political Science Review for August, 1911, Professor Meyer

"There are few things which the industrial history of advanced nations proves more conclusively than that competition in the field of public utilities has failed to insure reasonably adequate service at reasonable rates. The public has had occasion to learn this lesson many times and on a large scale. Napoleon is credited with having said that 'Repetition is the only serious figure in rhetoric.' Certainly we have had enough repetition of disasters to the public as well as to investors to lift this subject out of the field of controversy, but somehow these lessons must not have been on a sufficiently large and overwhelming scale, for the fetish of competition is still being worshiped and the cry of competition is still raised by many as the touchstone capable of dissolving every obscure entanglement which strained relations between the utilities and the public sometimes create. \* \* \*

"The Wisconsin Public Utilities Law is a repudiation of the fallacy of competition as a guarantor of good service at reasonable rates, and is planted squarely upon the idea of monopoly in the utility business."

In the last twenty years the people of this City have had abundant experience of competition, resulting in enormous economic waste and in serious depreciation of public service properties and of the service rendered to the public. Is there any good reason why Richmond should repeat that

What does the Richmond and Henrico Railway Company offer the City for a light and power franchise? Only the old, worn-out, disastrous fallacy

Not only is there NO NEED in Richmond for any competitive electric light and power company, but to permit any attempt at duplication of this public utility could not conserve the PUBLIC'S interests; and the unnecessary installation of additional poles, wires, conduits and the like in the streets would cause an unwarrantable disturbance of traffic and create a

We shall have more to tell you about this in to-morrow's paper.

## Virginia Railway and Power Company, William Northrop, President.

Service Talk No. 4 May 21, 1912

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### CAROLINA ASSOCIATION

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